

Customs House  
C. Meloy 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1930

Dear Mr. Stevens

Many thanks for your list of wrecks,  
which will make a very welcome addition to my  
record. I have a faint recollection of  
meeting you at the Greenscliff Lookout while I  
was at the "Hollyhead" in 1890, and before long  
I will take the opportunity of calling and  
thanking you in person.

If you have any record of the following  
wrecks I should be pleased to hear from you again.

Anomema, Pilot Scw.

Ant, Barwon Heads

Barwon, Pt Phillip Heads, 1866 (Re-floated)

Borgate Maiden, Indented Head 1862

Cape Verde (name of vessel collided with)

County Antrim, Lakes Entrance

David, Pt Lonsdale

Edward

Eli Lafonde, Black Head

Empress of the Seas, Summit of Cliff 1861

Flash Scw. 1853

Frisk Pt Nepean 1853

Gange, Pt Lonsdale 1887.

American, foundered Pt. Phillip 1869 or 1870 ✓

Isabella, Heads 1847

Isabella Watson, Pt. Nepean 1851

James Ford, Heads 1851

Julia

Keilwara, 1886

Lady Harvery, G'Cliff 1854

Mary Shepherd, Burnt, Hobson's Bay 1871

Mermaid

Nemesis 1904, lost at Newcastle

Ocean Mail 1877

Ontario

Oregon 1908

Orizaba 1905

Palm

Penguin

Petrona

Princess Royal

Queensland, Collided with Barnabool 1876

Result, Burnt in Hobson's Bay 1866

Ruby, Cape Howe 1859

Sacramento Pt Lonsdale 1853

Sea Breeze



Sea Mariner

✓ Senoceta

✓ Sophia, Pt. Nepean

✓ South Milton, Barwon Heads 1856

✓ St. George, Heads 1852

✓ Sussex, Pt. Nepean or Barwon Heads 1870

✓ Veritas, Heads 1879.

Yours faithfully,

W. H. Stoddart

✓ Selge, in Collision off Cape Otway in Collision off Cape Otway

✓ Koorng, Burnt off Cape Schanck

✓ Aracua foundered off Port Phillip

✓ Cumberland, wrecked off Gabo.

✓ "Karitane" Kent Group.

✓ "Lindus" lost at Newcastle

✓ Tommy Dodd foundered near West Channel Light

✓ "Despatch" sunk at Lakes Entrance.

✓ "Earl of Charncliffe" at Barwon Heads

# Wrecks on Australian Coast in vicinity of Pt Phillip

- ✓ George Roper Ship Pt Lonsdale 4/7/83
- ✓ Black Boy Tug (assisting Salvage  
George Roper) 8/7/83
- ✓ Craigburn Ship (8 miles West Cape Schanck) 8/5/91  
6 lives lost
- ✓ Cheekot, Steamer, Pt Hepean 35 lives lost 19/10/87
- ✓ Gambier, Steamer (Collided with Emsby  
opposite L'Bluff 21 lives lost) 28/8/91
- ✓ Clerk Steamer Jubilee Point (behind  
Lorento 15 lives lost, 1 saved, 25/12/93
- ✓ Gloucester French Dargue Pt Lonsdale 1887
- ✓ Light of the Age Ship between Lons & Dargoon Hds 1868
- ✓ Holyhead Ship Pt Lonsdale 12/2/90
- ✓ Surra Nevada Dargue Pt Hepean 16 lives lost 9/5/00
- ✓ Rip Pilot Str Pt Phillip Heads 3 lives lost 1873
- ✓ W J Taylor Ketch Pt Lonsdale 26/12/94
- ✓ Cape Verde Ship result of Collision off W. Lons 23/6/89
- ✓ Australia Steamer Pt Hepean 20/6/04
- ✓ Wyrallah (collided with Pelkera) 8/8/24
- ✓ Gauge Dargue Pt Lonsdale 23/7/87



# List of Wrecks on the Victorian Coast

- ✓ 1 "George Roper" 4m Dque 4/7/83 no lives lost (P Lous)
- ✓ 1 "Black Dog" Tug attending to George Roper 8/7/83 ("")
- ✓ 1 "Craigburn" Ship 8/5/91 blivg lost 8 Miles West of Cape Selanok
- ✓ 1 "Chester" Steamer 1 Mile East of Pt Nepean 35 lives lost 19/10/87
- ✓ 1 "Gambier" Steamer & "Esby" Steamer Collided off Q'bley 28/8/91 <sup>21 lives lost from Gambier</sup>
- ✓ 1 "Tiji" Ship 6/9/91 13 lives lost Moonlight head (near Cape Otway)
- ✓ 1 "Scammel" Ship Dream Creek 8/5/91 no lives lost
- ✓ 1 "Neopola" Dque burning fuel 9 lives lost 29/8/92
- ✓ 1 "Alert" Steamer Jubilee (Back Beach Torquay) <sup>only 1 saved, Cook & Rothery</sup> 28/12/93 15 lives lost
- ✓ 1 "West Wind" Ship burnt Hobson's Bay 28/2/54
- ✓ 1 "Glaucuse" Dque Pt Lonsdale 1887
- ✓ 1 "Templar" Ketch Cape Paterson 3 lives lost 1893
- ✓ 1 "W. Taylor" " Pt Lonsdale 26/12/94
- ✓ 1 "Light of the Age" near Pt Lonsdale 1868
- ✓ 1 "Rep" Pilot Schr Pt Phillip Heads 1873 3 lives lost
- ✓ 1 "Holyhead" Ship Pt Lonsdale 12/2/90
- ✓ 1 "Edinburgh Castle" Ship Warrnambool 10/1/88
- ✓ 1 "Lock Ara" Ship Cape Otway 1/6/78 <sup>2 saved</sup> Several lives lost
- ✓ 1 "Martha" Schr foundered in Rep 4/3/95 3 lives lost
- ✓ 1 "Surra Nevada" Dque Back Beach behind Q'line Pt 16 lives lost <sup>9/5/00</sup>
- ✓ 1 "Inverloch" Dque Ingleby Rep -/12/02

Fishing Boat Accident Mordialloc 15 lives lost 21/5/92

A Football Team returning from one of the adjacent Villages

Cape Wind ship, result of Collision 23/6/89

✓ R.M.S. Australia 20/6/04

1933  
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Australia 20 June 1904 - no land lost.

✓ H. yallah Dikera Collision on April 8th 1924.

✓ Pericles Wrecked on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1910 <sup>6 lands lost</sup> No land lost.

✓ "Paros" went on rocks at Rts. on.

Other Ismelia Collision in report Pt Kometak at 9.30  
Am

Gilgai March 13th 1920

Wireless Telegraphy, 1st "invented" on 4 April 1899.

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Full moon February 3rd at 10.26 am  
 New moon " 17th " 11.11 pm  
 Full " March 4th " 8.36 pm  
 New " " 19th " 5.51 pm  
 Full moon April 3rd at 6.6 am  
 New " 18th " 11.0 am  
 Full " May 2nd " 3.14 pm  
 New moon " 18th " 1.28 am  
 Full " June 1st at 12.33 am  
 New " June 16th " 1.2 pm  
 Full moon June 30th at 10.44 am

The Julian period began 4413  
 so that the Year 1930 corresponds  
 with 6644 of that period

(Sunday) January 4th 1931

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1932

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R. J. Wells  
 22 Margaret St  
 St Kilda  
 S. 2  
 Miss Jean Jack  
 21 Peterson St  
 North Brighton  
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Year			
1840	French whaler	Portland	? Name
1843	Socrates	Pt. Fairy	? date
"	Minerva	"	"
"	Johanna	near Olway	"
1844	Elizabeth	Portland	"
1847	Clarence	W'bool	"
1848	Elizabeth	Schank	"
in the 50's	Winchester	g'cliff	"
1850	William	Apollo Bay	"
"	Capt. Cook	Western Port	"
1851	Maroon	Portland	"
"	Marie	"	"
1852	Mary Jane	"	"
"	Brothers	"	"
"	Margaret	"	"
"	Portland	Pt. Lonsdale	? Rig
"	Elizabeth	Olway	? date
1853	Menope	Portland	"
"	Sea	Nepean	? Rig
"	Henry	Portland	? date
about 1853	Sch Flash	?	"
1854	Lady Harvey	g'cliff	"
"	Asprey	Lorne	"
"	Anna	Apollo Bay	"
"	Nestor	Portland	"
1855	Australia or Australasian	Portland	? Name & date
1856	Histle	Pt Albert	? date
1856	Sch Swan	? locality	? date
"	Elinora	Apollo Bay	"
1857	Victory	Portland	"
"	River Chief	Western Port	"
"	Annie	Apollo Bay	"
"	Highlander	"	"
1857 or 1871	S.S. Barwan	Portland	"
1857	Black Swan	Warratzen	"
1858	Martha	Olway	"
"	Sophia	Parmoutony	"
"	Toroa	W'bool to Mells.	"
"	Gertude	? Heads	"
1859, Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ruby	? locality	"
? date (about 1859)	Gazelle	? locality	"
1860	Prince of the Seas	Burnt at Warratzen	"
1861 or 1862	Olway	Lorne	"
1862 July 31 <sup>st</sup>	Constance & Subal	Cain (collision off Olway)	? were they Steamers
1862	S.S. Citizen	missing from Melbrie	? date
1863	David	South Channel	? date
"	Juliet	Pt Fairy	"
"	Edina	Portland	"
"	Reliance	Schank	"
"	Earl of Windsor	Cornwall Islet	? Rig
1864	Viceroy	? locality	"
"	Rainbow	"	"
about 1875	S. S. Ant	Darwin Heads	? date
1866	Result (burnt)	? locality	"
1867	Black Watch	W'bool	? date
1867	Lady Robilliard	"	"
1868	Sch Barwan	?	? date
"	General Wool	"	"
"	Esperanza	"	"
"	Woodlark	"	"
"	Dart	"	"
1869	Sch Martha (foundered)	"	"
1869 or 1870	Hurricane	Pt.	"
1870	Iris	? l.	"



1870	Flying Cloud	Portland	? rig
"	Stormbird (foundered)	? where	
"	Harbeck Castle		? rig
about 1870	Kara Kara	Lonsdale	? date
1871	Caroline	Pt. Harvey	? date & rig
"	Mary Shepherd	Hobson's Bay	? date
1873	Crowell	Pt. Harvey	"
	Rip	? locality & date	
1874	Eliza Ramsden	Nepean	? date
1875	Gothenburg	? locality	
1875	Cambridgeshire	"	
1876	Dandenong	"	
"	Elm Grove	Promontory	? date
1876 or 1878	Otago	Yarra	? date
1877	Argyle	W'bool	"
1877	Young Australia	Curdie's Right	"
about 1877	Result	Gabo	"
1878 or 1879	Trincula	Lakes Entrance	"
"	Rubicon	Wanaka Bay	"
1879	Macedon-Dawson (collision)	Yarra	"
"	Asia	Port Campbell	"
about 1880	Pretty Jane	Gippsland Coast	"
1881	Florence	Portland	"
"	Jararua	? locality & date	
"	Bulwark	Hobson's Bay	"
1882	Fiona	? locality	
"	Coorong	Curdie's Inlet	? date
about 1882	Glenfarny	90 mile Beach	"
1882	Erato	W'bool	"
1886, Dec 13 <sup>th</sup>	Keilwanua	? locality	
1887 or 1889	Cheviot	Heads	? date (Age - 10/10/87)
1888 or 1868	Dart	W'bool	"
1888, July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Star of Greece	? locality	
1888 or 1889	Rachel	W'bool	? date
1890, Mch 21 <sup>st</sup> (Herald)	Vessel adrift at Pt. Lonsdale	—	? particulars
1891	Gambier	Heads	? date (Angus - 28/5/91)
1891, June	Jarramung	? locality & date	
1891, July	Nouva	Sorrento	? date
1891, July	Unity	Sorrento or Apollo Bay	? date? locality
1893	Semplan	Cape Paterson	? date
1894 or 1895	Habitant	Yarra	? date
1896 or 1906	Swan	Schanck	? date
1898	Grafton	? locality	
1898, June	Secret	missing (Hinders Island)	
1900	Empress of India	? locality	
1905	Loch Vennachan	Kangaroo Island	? date
1905, 1906, or 1915	Clan McLeod	Nepean	? date
1906	Tyro	? date & locality	
	St. Despatch	Lakes Entrance	? date
1910	Windsor Park	Cliffy	? Rig
1912 (about)	Astoria	Lonsdale	? date
1914	Antares	W'bool	? date
1927 (about)	Koringle	Schanck	? date
1928 (about)	Kanowna	Promontory	? date

A whaler at Cape L. named ? name & date  
(Anomura (Pilot) ?)

Sea Breeze  
Sea Mammes  
Senorita  
Stranges  
Venues  
Waikora  
Wilcannia

? Date & locality